

South Asain Seas Programme

Payment of arrears and Country Contributions by the Countries of SASP

SASP Country Contribution Status: as at 10th April 2008

| Country | Arrears upto 2004 | Agreed CC for 2005 | Received CC for 2005 | Total Arrears upto 2005 | Agreed CC for 2006 | Received CC 2006 | Arrears upto Dec 2006 |
|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ |
| Bangladesh | 17,852.40 | 13,335.00 | | 31,187.40 | 13,335.00 | | 44,522.40 |
| India | 64,395.00 | 32,185.00 | | 96,580.00 | 32,185.00 | 96,580.00 | 32,185.00 |
| Maldives | 24,471.00 | 5,975.00 | | 30,446.00 | 5,975.00 | 36,421.00 | 0.00 |
| Pakistan | 74,225.50 | 27,130.00 | | 101,355.50 | 27,130.00 | 54,260.00 | 74,225.50 |
| Sri Lanka | 17,518.02 | 13,335.00 | 30,561.94 | 291.08 | 13,335.00 | 12,990.37 | 635.71 |
| TOTAL | 198,461.92 | 91,960.00 | 30,561.94 | 259,859.98 | 91,960.00 | 200,251.37 | 151,568.61 |
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| Country | Arrears as at Dec 2006 | Agreed CC 2007 | Received CC 2007 | Arrears upto Dec 07 | Agreed CC for 2008 | Received CC 2008 | Arrears as at 10 Apr 08 |
|--------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ |
| Bangladesh | 44,522.40 | 13,335.00 | | 57,857.40 | 13,335.00 | | 71,192.40 |
| India | 32,185.00 | 32,185.00 | 32,185.00 | 32,185.00 | 32,185.00 | | 64,370.00 |
| Maldives | 0.00 | 5,975.00 | | 5,975.00 | 5,975.00 | 5,975.00 | 5,975.00 |
| Pakistan | 74,225.50 | 27,130.00 | 27,157.10 | 74,198.40 | 27,130.00 | | 101,328.40 |
| Sri Lanka | 635.71 | 13,335.00 | | 13,970.71 | 13,335.00 | 8,469.08 | 18,836.63 |
| TOTAL | 151,568.61 | 91,960.00 | 59,342.10 | 184,186.51 | 91,960.00 | 14,444.08 | 261,702.43 |
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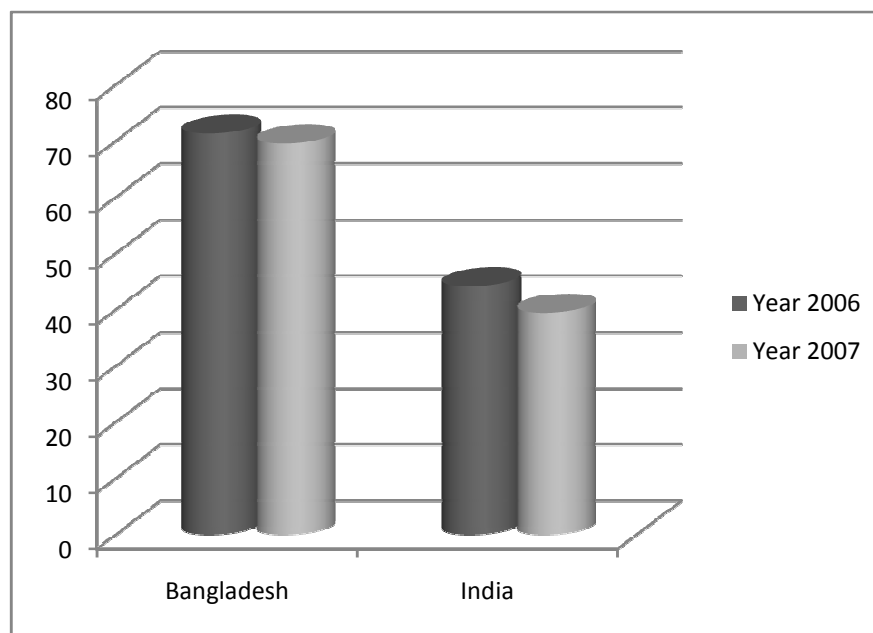
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| Interest Earned | Year 2005 | 237.52 |
| Fixed Deposit Interest Earned | Year 2006 | 3,051.68 |
| Fixed Deposit Interest Earned | Year 2007 | 24,356.95 |
| Fixed Deposit Interest Earned | Year 2008 | 4,100.37 |
| Total Interest - SASP | | 31,746.52 |
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APPROVED COUNTRY CONTRIBUTION FORMULA FOR SOUTH ASIAN SEAS PROGRAMME

(As per the Decision of the Third Inter-ministerial Meeting of SASP)

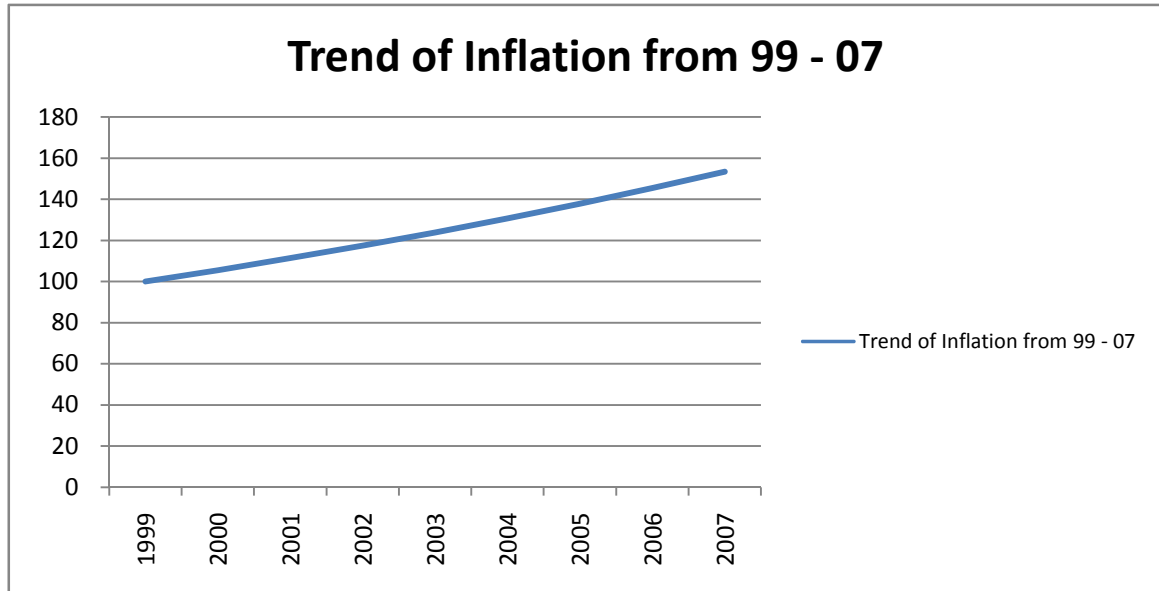
| COUNTRY | PERCENTAGE | RECOMMENDED CONTRIBUTION | PERCENTAGE RECEIVED AS PER RECOMMENDED CONTRIBUTION FROM 2002 - 2007 |
|------------------|------------|--------------------------|--|
| | | US \$ | % |
| BANGLADESH | 14.5 | 13,335 | 59 |
| INDIA | 35 | 32,185 | 90 |
| MALDIVES | 6.5 | 5,975 | 90 |
| PAKISTAN | 29.5 | 27,130 | 74 |
| SRI LANKA | 14.5 | 13,335 | 90 |
| T O T A L | 100 | 91,960 | 81 |
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During the past two year the US Dollar has been depreciating against the other currencies, which has affected the revenue of SASP



The graph shows the depreciation of the US \$ against the currencies of Bangladesh and India in year 2006 and 2007.

The below graph shows the trend of inflation of the South Asian region from 1999 to 2007, considering the inflation rate as 5.50% per annum which is the lowest rate of 1999 / 2007



Due to inflation and drastic fall in US \$ rates as cited above, there has been a rapid fall in the net revenue of SASP in real terms. This is reflected in the proposed budget for 2008. Since the countries had agreed to a percentage basis of financial support to SASP the following Country Contributions are being proposed for 2008 - 2010 with a 10% increase each year.

PROPOSED INCREASE OF THE COUNTRY CONTRIBUTION FROM YEAR 2008

| COUNTRY | PERCENTAGE | PRESENT CONTRIBUTION | RECOMMENDED CONTRIBUTION | RECOMMENDED CONTRIBUTION (ROUNDED) |
|------------------|---------------|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | | US \$ | US \$ | US \$ |
| BANGLADESH | 14.50 | 13,335 | 16,669 | 16,670 |
| INDIA | 35.00 | 32,185 | 40,231 | 40,230 |
| MALDIVES | 6.50 | 5,975 | 7,469 | 7,470 |
| PAKISTAN | 29.50 | 27,130 | 33,913 | 33,910 |
| SRI LANKA | 14.50 | 13,335 | 16,669 | 16,670 |
| T O T A L | 100.00 | 91,960 | 114,950 | 114,950 |
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